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Dear Sir:

This is in Response to the Office Action dated October 31, 2003. Applicant elects Species 2 drawn to Figure 3. Claims 1-26 are cancelled and claims 30-34 are withdrawn.

Amendment to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.